

Amendment No. 2 to SB0924

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 924

House Bill No. 525*

by inserting the following new section immediately preceding the last section and renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION _____. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) As used in this section, "mask" means a protective covering designed to be worn over the nose and mouth of a person to reduce the spread of infectious agents.

(b) Notwithstanding an executive order issued by the governor pursuant to § 58-2-107, an order issued by a local health board or other public official, or any other law to the contrary, the governing body for an LEA, public charter school, or private school has the sole authority to set the mask and social distancing policies for the schools governed by the respective governing body for the 2021-2022 school year.

(c) A governing body may consult with the state and local health departments when developing or adopting mask or social distancing policies for the schools governed by the respective governing body. This section does not prohibit a governing body from developing or adopting mask or social distancing policies based on the policies and guidelines issued by the centers for disease control and prevention.

(d) This section is repealed on July 1, 2022.